

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT



MAY 4, 2015



SPECIAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT



MAY 5, 2015

**with
RECOMMENDATIONS**

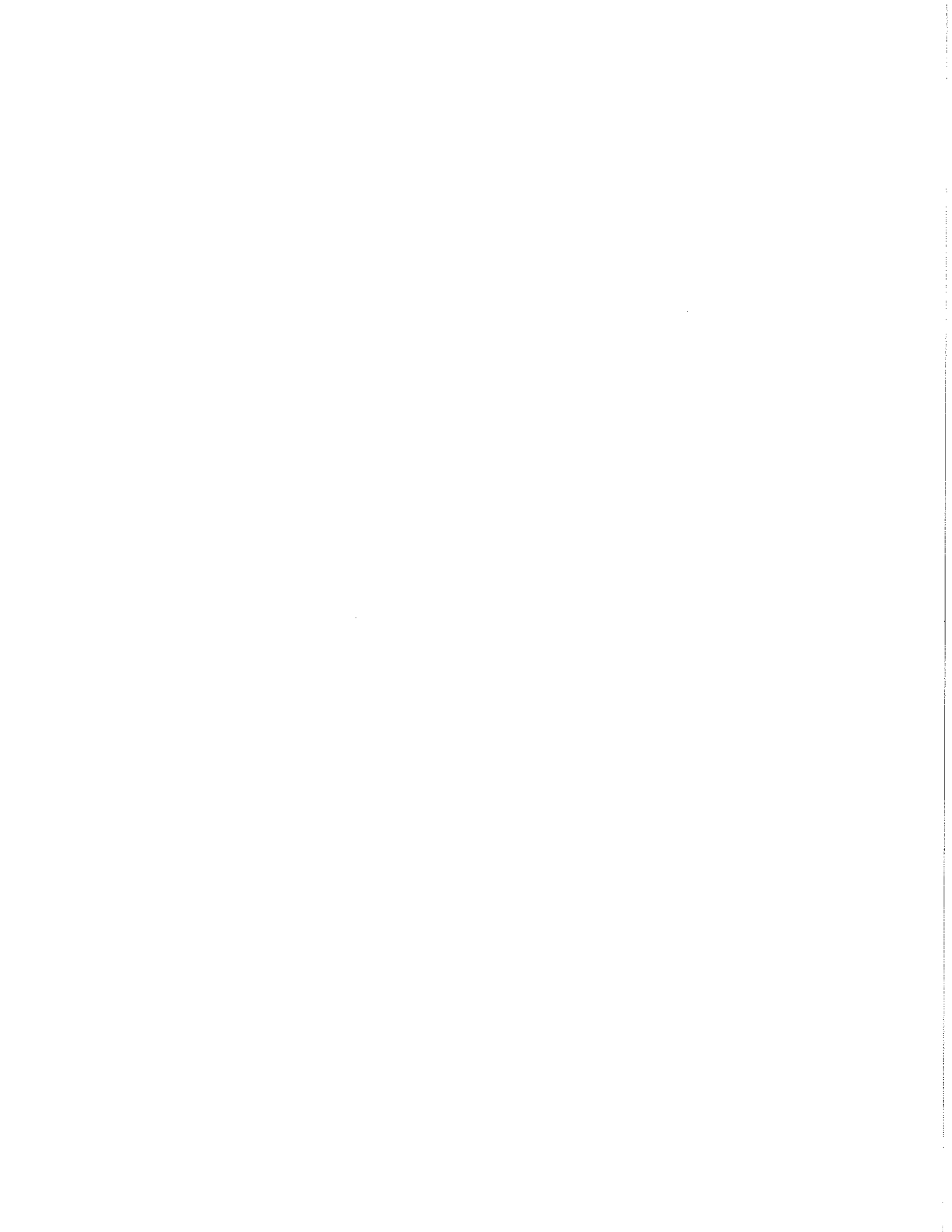


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VOTING PROCEDURES

- I A quorum, 150 registered voters, must be present in order to conduct business. The only motion in order when no quorum is present is a motion to adjourn.
- II A two-thirds majority of the Town Meeting shall be required for inclusion of any Capital Outlay, unless it was included in the Capital Outlay Plan adopted at the preceding Town Meeting.
- III All motions introduced at the Town Meeting shall be in writing when required by the Moderator.
- IV Voters are limited to two times speaking on any one question; the total time speaking not to exceed 10 minutes.
- V Only registered voters shall occupy the meeting "floor".
- VI No voter will be allowed to speak until he or she is recognized by the Moderator.
- VII Motion requiring more than a simple majority to pass:
 - A. To reconsider a vote on a motion – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority (this motion must be made prior to the next adjournment of the meeting).
 - B. To consider articles in an order other than as appears on the warrant – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority.
 - C. To pay unpaid bills – $\frac{4}{5}$ majority at the Annual Town Meeting, $\frac{9}{10}$ majority at a Special Town Meeting.
 - D. To move the previous question (terminate debate) – $\frac{3}{4}$ majority.
- VIII Quorum cannot be questioned after a motion has been made and seconded.

MOTION CHART Section 1-211
(Application of Rules is indicated by an X)

Motions	Debatable	Non Debatable	Amendable	Non Amendable	Second Required	Second Not Required	Majority Vote	2/3 Vote	¼ Vote	May Reconsider	Cannot Reconsider
Adjourn		X		X	X		X				X
Adjourn (in a time certain)	X		X		X		X			X	
Amendment	X		X		X		X			X	
Adopt a Resolution	X		X		X		X				X
Accept & Adopt	X		X		X		X ¹			X	
Postpone Indefinitely	X			X	X		X			X	
Previous Question Terminate Debate		X		X	X				X		X
Reconsider ²	X			X	X				X		X
Consider Articles Out of Order	X		X		X				X		X
Point of Order		X				X					
1. Unless a greater than simple majority required by General Laws of Town of Harwich by-laws.											
2. See section 1.207											

THE CHART BELOW SHOWS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY REQUIRED TO CHANGE THE
FY 2015 TAX RATE

TAX RATE CHANGE IN \$/1000

DOLLARS REQUIRED

\$ 0.01	\$47,001
\$ 0.05	\$235,006
\$ 0.10	\$470,011
\$ 0.15	\$705,017
\$ 0.20	\$940,023
\$ 0.25	\$1,175,028
\$ 0.30	\$1,410,034
\$ 0.35	\$1,645,040
\$ 0.40	\$1,880,045
\$ 0.45	\$2,115,051
\$ 0.50	\$2,350,057
\$ 0.55	\$2,585,062
\$ 0.60	\$2,820,068
\$ 0.65	\$3,055,073
\$ 0.70	\$3,290,079
\$ 0.75	\$3,525,085
\$ 0.80	\$3,760,090
\$ 0.85	\$3,995,096
\$ 0.90	\$4,230,102
\$ 0.95	\$4,465,107
\$ 1.00	\$4,700,113

MUNICIPAL FINANCE TERMS

APPROPRIATION: An authorization granted by the Town Meeting to make expenditures and to incur obligations for specific purposes.

AVAILABLE FUNDS: Available funds refer to other funds available for appropriation by the Town Meeting, such as Wetland Protection funds, Cemetery Lot sales and Perpetual Care Interest and old article balances returned to revenue.

OVERLAY, ALSO CALLED ALLOWANCE FOR ABATEMENTS AND EXEMPTIONS: The overlay is the amount raised by the Assessors in excess of appropriations and other charges for the purpose of creating a fund to cover tax abatements granted and avoiding fractions in the tax rate. It cannot exceed 5% of the levy.

FREE CASH: Certified each year by the Director of State Bureau of Accounts, this is the portion of the fund balance which is available for appropriation by a Vote of Town Meeting. It is not cash, but rather is the approximate total of cash and receivables less current liabilities and earmarked reserves.

TRANSFER: The authorization to use an appropriation for a different purpose; in most cases only the Town Meeting may authorize a transfer.

RESERVE FUND: This fund is established by the voters at an Annual Town Meeting only and is composed of an appropriation (not exceeding 5% of the tax levy of the preceding year). Transfers from the Reserve Fund are within the exclusive control of the Finance Committee, and are for "extraordinary or unforeseen" situations, normally emergencies.

STABILIZATION FUND: This is a special reserve for future expenditures. The aggregate amount in the fund shall not exceed, at any time, 10% of the valuation in the preceding year. Money may be voted into the fund by a majority vote at Town Meeting. Money may be appropriated from the fund only by a two-thirds vote at Town Meeting for any municipal purpose.

CHERRY SHEET: An annual statement received from the State Department of Revenue detailing estimated receipts for the next fiscal year from various State Aid accounts and estimated charges payable by the assessors in setting the tax rate. Named for the cherry colored paper, which the State traditionally has printed it on.

PROPOSITION 2 ½ TERMS

Chapter 59, Section 21C of the Massachusetts General Laws commonly referred to as Proposition 2 ½ (Prop. 2 ½) or the Tax Limiting Law for Cities and Towns in Massachusetts.

LEVY: The property tax levy is the revenue a Town can raise through real and personal property taxes. The property tax levy is the largest source of revenue for the Town.

LEVY CEILING: This is the maximum the levy limit can be. The ceiling equals 2.5% of the Town's full and fair cash value.

LEVY LIMIT: The Maximum the levy can be in a given year. The limit is based on the previous year's levy limit plus certain allowable increases.

LEVY LIMIT INCREASE: The levy limit automatically increases each year by 2.5% of the previous year's levy limit.

NEW GROWTH: New construction and new parcel subdivision may also increase the Town's levy limit.

OVERRIDE: A community can permanently increase its levy limit by successfully voting at a referendum to exceed the limits. A community may take this action as long as it is below the levy ceiling.

GENERAL OVERRIDE: A general override ballot question can be placed on a referendum if a majority of the Board of Selectmen vote to do so. If the ballot question is approved by a majority of the voters, the Town's levy limit is permanently increased by the amount voted at the referendum. The levy limit increase may not exceed the Town's levy ceiling. Override questions must be presented in dollar terms and specify the purpose.

DEBT EXCLUSION: This override ballot question can be placed on a referendum by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Selectmen. If a majority of the voters approve the ballot question the Town's levy limit is increased only for the amount voted at the referendum for the life of that debt only. The levy limit increase may exceed the Town's levy ceiling.

CAPITAL OUTLAY EXPENDITURE EXCLUSION: This override ballot question can be placed on a referendum by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Selectmen. If a majority of the voters approve the ballot question the additional amount for the payment of the capital project cost is added to the levy limit or levy ceiling only for the year in which the project is being undertaken.

CONTINGENT VOTES: Chapter 634 of the Acts of 1989 permits a Town Meeting to appropriate funds contingent upon passage of a referendum question (OVERRIDE). A contingent vote does not automatically result in an override referendum. An override referendum can only be called by the Board of Selectmen. If a referendum is called by the Selectmen it must take place within forty-five days of the Town Meeting vote.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 4, 2015**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said county,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street in said Town on May 4, 2015 at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES

TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

ARTICLE 1 To choose various Town Officers and Committees. Customary Article

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED
AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0**

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

ARTICLE 2 To hear reports of all Town Officers and Committees for the year 2014.
Customary Article

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED
AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0**

ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARIES

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the elected officials of the Town for fiscal year commencing July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016 as follows and to act fully thereon. Estimated cost: \$83,218.44

Selectmen (5)	\$1,500 (each)
Moderator.....	\$300
Town Clerk	\$73,918.44
Water Commissioners (3)	\$500 (each)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED
AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0**

TOWN OPERATING BUDGET

ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to defray Town charges for Fiscal Year 2016. And further, vote to fund a sufficient sum of money as may be required to provide supplemental budget requests for the below listed departments:

COA increase nurse's hours 10 hours per week	\$20,600
Fire enhanced ambulance coverage	\$103,000 – one person
Police enhanced patrol	\$81,000 – one person
Harbor full-time assistant – add'l 21 hours per week	\$31,500
Highway – Disposal funded in FY 15 (benefits included for FY 16)	
Electrical and Plumbing Expenses	\$20,000
Library open on Mondays one FTE plus hours	\$71,000
Fringe benefits health insurance (\$21,000 per person (5)	\$105,000
TOTALS	\$432,100

and to act fully thereon. (BUDGET – SEE APPENDIX B). Estimated cost: \$_____.

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THAT THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. FUNDING SOURCES WILL BE MOVED AT TOWN MEETING. THIS BUDGET IS “BALANCED” AND IS WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF PROP 2 ½, THOUGH IT DOES NOT INCLUDE CERTAIN CAPITAL AND DEBT EXCLUSIONS, WHICH ARE PROP 2 ½ OVERRIDES THAT APPEAR AS WARRANT ARTICLES LATER IN THE MEETING. IF THESE EXCLUSION ARTICLES ARE APPROVED, THEY WILL ADD TO OUR TAXES ABOVE THE PROP 2 1/2 LIMITATION. SOME FINCOM MEMBERS HAD DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ABOUT CERTAIN ITEMS THAT WERE INCLUDED OR EXCLUDED FROM THE BUDGET, BUT FINCOM BELIEVES IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE TOWN TO PASS THE OVERALL BUDGET. VOTE: YES-5, NO -1.

MONOMOY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to pay for the Monomoy Regional School District Assessment for Fiscal Year 2016. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the general override authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Monomoy Regional School Committee and Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$22,861,667.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE MONOMOY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR FY 16, AND THAT \$22,861,667 BE RAISED FOR THIS PURPOSE AND FURTHER OF THAT

TOTAL \$184,125, WHICH IS EQUAL TO THE CAPITAL NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT, BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT AND SUBJECT TO A PROPOSITION 2 ½ CAPITAL EXCLUSION VOTE. VOTE: YES-3, NO-2.

ASSESSMENTS (continued)	Harwich	Chatham	Total
Required Minimum Contribution per DESE March 2015	\$11,581,066	\$4,187,669	\$15,768,735
	73.65%	26.35%	shifts by .65% towards Harwich from FY15 to FY16
Funds Needed to Support District Budget	\$8,850,102	\$3,166,330	\$12,016,432
Operating Assessment Per Member	\$20,431,168	\$7,353,999	\$27,785,167
Transportation			\$844,313
	74.91%	25.09%	
Less State Transportation Aid			\$301,086
Transportation Assessment Per Member	\$406,931	\$136,296	\$543,227
	73.65%	26.35%	
Debt Assessment Per Member	\$1,840,128	\$658,348	\$2,498,476
	73.65%	26.35%	
Capital Assessment Per Member	\$184,125	\$65,875	\$250,000

CAPE COD REGIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money as may be required to pay for the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District Assessment for Fiscal Year 2016, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District. Estimated Cost: \$1,330,607.

Explanation: The Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District's proposed Fiscal Year 2016 budget is \$14,532,300 which represents a 4.49 % increase over the Fiscal Year 2015 budget. Unique to this year, the district is asking for \$250,000 (Harwich portion is approximately (11.3 %) or \$28,250) to transfer into their Stabilization Fund for an MSBA project and this request is increasing their request by 1.8 %. The operating budget is increasing by 2.67 %. Enrollment has remained 73 students which is the same

as FY15. The assessment to the Town to support the Fiscal 2016 Cape Cod Regional Technical High School District's budget would be \$1,330,607 which represents a 6.6 % increase from the Fiscal 2015 assessment.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$133,607 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0

WATER BUDGET

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds such sums of money as may be required to defray Water Department Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2016, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Water Commissioners and Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$ _____

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$3,813,178 BE TRANSFERRED FROM WATER RATE COLLECTIONS TO BE USED TO FUND THE ANNUAL OPERATION OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

FUND UNION/ASSOCIATION CONTRACTS

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund the cost items of Union/Association Contracts for Fiscal Year 2016 and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$ _____.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED AS MONIES NEEDED TO FUND THIS ARTICLE HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE BUDGET BY THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

FUND SALARIES AND WAGES FOR NON-UNION PERSONNEL

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund salary and wage increases for Fiscal Year 2016 for all full and permanent part-time employees, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$ _____.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED AS MONIES NEEDED TO FUND THIS ARTICLE HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE BUDGET BY THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

ADOPT THE CAPITAL PLAN

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Capital Plan for the ensuing seven year period as adopted last year by the Town Meeting with new fiscal year 2022 as

proposed by the Board of Selectmen and set forth below or as amended by vote of the Town Meeting, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

**THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE
ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0**

TOWN OF HARWICH CAPITAL BUDGET REQUEST SUMMARY (FY 16 TO 22)

<u>Department</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>TA Rec</u>	<u>COC Rec</u>	<u>FY 16</u>	<u>FY 17</u>	<u>FY 18</u>	<u>FY 19</u>	<u>FY 20</u>	<u>FY 21</u>	<u>FY 22</u>
Admin	Harwich Center Initiative - StreetScape Only				\$ 50,000	\$ 500,000				
Admin	Demolition Harbormasters Building on Bank Street	\$ -	Below \$50K	\$ 28,000						
Admin	Demolition Former West Harwich School on Bells Neck	\$ -	Below \$50K	\$ 26,000						
Admin	Demolition of Middle School Building on Sisson			TBD						
ADMIN SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Com. Ctr.	Roof Replacement							\$ 240,000		
Com. Ctr.	Carpet Replacement						\$ 76,320	\$ -		
Com. Ctr.	Gym Floor Resurface				\$ 56,223					
Com. Ctr.	HVAC Repair and Updates					\$ 105,000				
Com. Ctr.	Generator Installation									\$ 105,000
COMMUNITY CENTER SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56,223	\$ 105,000	\$ 76,320	\$ 240,000	\$ -	\$ 105,000
Conserv.	Harwich Artificial Reef					\$ 275,000				
CONSERVATION SUB-TOTAL				\$ -	\$ -	\$ 275,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fire	3-Cardiac Monitors/3-AED's	\$ 134,946	\$ 134,946	\$ 134,946						
Fire	Ambulance (Add one) Station 2 Coverage	\$ 312,000	\$ 312,000	\$ 312,000						
Fire	New Chief's Vehicle	\$ 38,290	Below \$50K	\$ 38,290						
Fire	Ambulance Replacement				\$ 254,600					
Fire	Pumper Truck Replacement				\$ 490,000	\$ -				
Fire	Replace Radios Portable and Mobiles				\$ 360,000					
Fire	Ambulance Replacement					\$ 267,830				
Fire	Pumper Truck Replacement						\$ 540,000			
Fire	Ambulance Replacement							\$ 295,613		
Fire	Ladder Truck Replacement								\$ 1,080,000	
Fire	Ambulance Replacement									\$ 326,175
Fire	Replace Station One Roof	\$ 88,512	\$ 88,512	\$ 88,512						
Fire	Station One HVAC System	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000						
Fire	Station Two Air Conditioning Replacement		Below \$50K	\$ 22,000						
Fire	Station One Carpet Replacement			\$ -	\$ 23,300					
Fire	Station One Air Compressor				\$ 6,000					
Fire	Replace PlymoVent Exhaust System Stations 1 & 2					\$ 103,000				
Fire	Replace Overhead Door Apparatus Stations 1 & 2						\$ 83,000			
FIRE SUB-TOTAL		\$ 668,748	\$ 630,458	\$ 690,748	\$ 1,133,900	\$ 370,830	\$ 623,000	\$ 295,613	\$ 1,080,000	\$ 326,175
Golf	Repair Sink Hole in Parking Lot	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 235,000				
Golf	New Golf Cart Building			\$ -		\$ 850,000				
Golf	Dredging Irrigation Pond					\$ 120,000				

Department	Project	TA Rec	COC Rec	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22
Golf	Renovation of old Maintenance building							\$ 150,000		
GOLF SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 970,000	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -
Harbor	Wychmere Outer Harbor Jetty Study and Construction								\$ -	\$ 75,000
Harbor	Wychmere Outer Harbor Dredging							\$ 500,000		
Harbor	Wychmere Public Bathrooms	\$ -	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000						
Harbor	Saquatucket Harbor Landside Design and Construction		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ 2,500,000			
Harbor	Saquatucket Harbor Waterside Design and Construction	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 7,000,000	\$ -				
Harbor	Herring River Ramp Replacement						\$ 65,000			
Harbor	Maintenance Dredging 2017				\$ 300,000					
Harbor	Study Allen Harbor Jetty Reconstruction					\$ 50,000				
Harbor	Allen Harbor Jetty Reconstruction Study and Construction							\$ 180,000	\$ 1,820,000	
Harbor	Maintenance Dredging 2019						\$ 300,000			
Harbor	Project Round Cove Ramp Replacement and Bulkhead					\$ 187,000				
HARBORMASTER SUB-TOTAL		\$ 500,000	\$ 575,000	\$ 575,000	\$ 7,300,000	\$ 487,000	\$ 2,865,000	\$ 680,000	\$ 1,820,000	\$ 75,000
Library	Library Interior Modifications/Renovations					\$ 100,000				
Library	Brooks Library Generator and Installation						\$ 110,000			
Library	Library Exterior Modifications/Renovations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,000						
Library	Library Roof Replacement				\$ 135,000					
LIBRARY SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,000	\$ 135,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 110,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Nat. Res.	Shellfish Lab at Wychemere Harbor	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 425,000						
NATURAL RESOURCES SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 425,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Planning	Exterior Historic Renovations - Albro House	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000						
Planning	Interior Renovations - Albro House	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 85,000						
Planning	Walkway Reconstruction Bank Street Center to Rte 28		\$ -	\$ 231,000						
Planning	Walkway Reconstruction Rte 28 SAQ to Harwichport		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 292,200					
PLANNING SUB-TOTAL		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 366,000	\$ 292,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Police	Police Radio Replacement Plan - Dash Mounted				\$ 46,247					
Police	Police Radio Replacement Plan - Dash Mounted				\$ 13,213					
Police	Police Radio Replacement Plan - Portables				\$ 183,720					

Department	Project	TA Rec	COC Rec	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22
Police	Police Radio Replacement Plan - Remote Head Mounted				\$ 34,029					
Police	Carpets for Building	\$ -	Below \$50K	\$ 20,000	\$ -					
Police	Painting various areas of Building			TBD						
Police	Septic System Repairs	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000						
Police	Public Safety Answering Point Upgrade to Digital	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 600,000						
POLICE SUB-TOTAL		\$ 60,000	\$ 160,000	\$ 720,000	\$ 277,209	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Public Work 5 Year Road Maintenance Plan		\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 1,337,903	\$ 1,445,667	\$ 1,419,339	\$ 1,427,487	\$ 1,422,640	TBD	TBD
		\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000							
Public Work Mack or Peterbuilt		\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000						
Public Work Elgin Mechanical Sweeper		\$ 190,000	\$ 190,000	\$ 175,000						
Public Work MSW (Trash) Trailer		\$ -	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000						
Public Work Vehicle Listing (FY 17 to 22) Summary					\$ 245,000	\$ 355,000	\$ 305,000	\$ 255,000	\$ 292,000	\$ 270,000
Public Work DPW Highway Barn Repairs		\$ 156,087	\$ 156,087	\$ 156,087						
Public Work Maintenance Facility									\$ 250,000	
PUBLIC WORKS SUB-TOTAL		\$ 1,746,087	\$ 1,561,087	\$ 1,883,990	\$ 1,690,667	\$ 1,774,339	\$ 1,732,487	\$ 1,677,640	\$ 542,000	\$ 270,000
Rec & Youth Beach Stairway Replacement/Renovations		\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 143,350						
Rec & Youth Red River Beach Parking Lot Paving/Overlay		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 225,000						
Rec & Youth Bank Street Beach parking Lot Paving/Overlay						\$ 98,000				
Rec & Youth Pleasant Road Beach Parking Lot Paving/Overlay							\$ 112,000			
Rec & Youth Red River Beach Restroom Renovation								\$ 150,000		
RECREATION AND YOUTH SUB-TOTAL		\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 368,350	\$ -	\$ 98,000	\$ 112,000	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -
Wastewater Cold Brook Natural Attenuation Study Part 2 of 2		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000						
Cold Brook Natural Attenuation Design and Construction						\$ 2,000,000				
Wastewater Restoration of Hinckey's Pond		\$ -		\$ -	\$ 500,000					
Wastewater Purchase Property in E Harwich for Recharge		\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000						
1st Phase of Pleasant Bay Watershed Collection System						\$ 19,800,000				
1st Phase Pleasant Bay Collection System (South) Design				\$ -	\$ 2,500,000					
Wastewater Continued Comp Wastewater Management Plan		\$ 75,000	\$ -	\$ 75,000						
Wastewater Purchase Capacity in Chatham Wastewater Plant					\$ 11,600,000					
Wastewater 2nd Phase (North) Pleasant Bay Watershed Design						\$ 810,000				
2nd Phase (North) Pleasant Bay Watershed Construction								\$ 12,600,000		
Wastewater Evaluate Phosphorus issues in Seymour Pond & Action							\$ 350,000			
Muddy Creek Supplemental Funding Regulatory Changes		\$ 500,000		\$ 500,000						

Department	Project	TA Rec	COC Rec	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22
WASTEWATER SUB-TOTAL		\$ 1,125,000	\$ 550,000	\$ 1,125,000	\$ 14,600,000	\$ 22,610,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 12,600,000	\$ -	\$ -
Water	Lothrop Ave Water Tank Replacement Engineering	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000						
Water	Lothrop Ave Water Tank Replacement Construction				\$ 2,400,000					
Water	Pleasant Lake Avenue Tank Rehabilitation						\$ 1,500,000			
Water	Engineering for Asbestos Pipe Project								\$ 250,000	
Water	Construction/Renovation Asbestos Pipe Project									TBD
Water	Vehicle Replacements	\$ 47,000	Below \$50K	\$ 35,000		\$ 120,000				
WATER SUB-TOTAL		\$ 247,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 235,000	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ -
GRAND TOTALS		\$ 4,391,835	\$ 3,721,545	\$ 6,508,088	\$ 27,935,199	\$ 27,410,169	\$ 5,868,807	\$ 17,293,253	\$ 3,692,000	\$ 776,175

Funding Summary

Tax Levy	\$ -
Borrowing within Prop 2 1/2	\$ 500,000
Free Cash	\$ 849,599
Community Preservation Funds	\$ -
Capital Exclusion	\$ 545,236
Debt Exclusion	\$ 1,250,000
Grants	
Golf Maintenance Fund	\$ -
Chapter 90	\$ 1,000,000
Gifts	
Enterprise Account (Water)	\$ 247,000
Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Funds (Potential)	
Other: Shellfish Lab Lease	\$ -

Confirmation Total	\$ 4,391,835
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FUND NEW AMBULANCE

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase or lease one new ambulance and necessary equipment for the Fire Department. This will provide for an additional ambulance at Station Two in East Harwich. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the capital outlay expenditure authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon By request of the Fire Chief. Estimated cost: \$312,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$357,000 FROM CAPITAL EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL PROVIDE FOR AN AMBULANCE TO BE ASSIGNED TO STATION TWO IN EAST HARWICH AND ALLOW FOR BETTER RESPONSE TIME FOR SERVICES GIVEN THE MATERIAL INCREASE IN RUNS GENERATED BY THE FONTAINE MEDICAL CENTER. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-5, NO-1

FUND NEW FIRE CHIEF RESPONSE VEHICLE

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase one new Fire Chief response vehicle. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the capital outlay expenditure authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon By request of the Fire Chief. Estimated cost: \$38,290.

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$38,290 FROM CAPITAL EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL PROVIDE FOR A CONTINUATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FLEET ROTATION PROGRAM. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY (G.L. C.59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

FUND NEW AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase three new cardiac monitors and three new automatic external defibrillators with a five year service contract for the Fire Department and to further authorize trade-in of the current units. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the

limitation on total taxes imposed by G.L. c.59, §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the capital outlay expenditure authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Fire Chief. Estimated cost: \$134,946

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$134,946 FROM CAPITAL EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL PROVIDE FOR AN ENTIRE UPDATING OF CRITICAL CARE EQUIPMENT FOR BOTH CARDIAC MONITORS AND EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS THAT THE DEPARTMENT USES ON A DAILY BASIS. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY (G.L. C59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

REPAIRS TO HVAC SYSTEM AT FIRE STATION ONE

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund the repairs to the heating/air-conditioning system at Fire Station One on Sisson Road in Harwich Center and to act fully thereon. By request of the Fire Chief and the Facilities Maintenance Manager. Estimated cost: \$95,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$95,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS. THE HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM AT THE HEADQUARTERS FIRE STATION ON SISSON ROAD IS OVER TWENTY YEARS OLD AND IS IN NEED OF UPDATING WITH A REPLACEMENT UNIT. A NEW SYSTEM WILL BE MORE EFFICIENT AND USE LESS ELECTRICITY. VOTE: YES 6, NO-0

REPLACE ROOF AT FIRE STATION ONE

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to replace the roof on Fire Station One on Sisson Road in Harwich Center, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Fire Chief and the Facilities Maintenance Manager. Estimated cost: \$88,512

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$88,512 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING ON SISSON ROAD, WAS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED OVER 20 YEARS AGO. THE ROOF HAS BEEN INSPECTED BY THE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE MANAGER AND DEEMED IN NEED OF REPLACEMENT DUE TO THE AGE AND PRESENT CONDITION OF THE ROOF. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

PURCHASE VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE IRRIGATION
POND AT CRANBERRY VALLEY GOLF COURSE

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$49,000 from the Golf Improvement Fund to purchase a solar circulator for the irrigation pond at Cranberry Valley Golf Course, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf. Estimated cost: \$49,000.

Explanation: The golf course has an irrigation pond that has been experiencing large algae plumes. The professional staff at the course is researching technologies available to reduce the large algae plumes which cause issues with the irrigation system. At this time the Town is exploring several options. We are confident to find a solution within the existing budget presented.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$49,000 BE FUNDED FROM THE GOLF IMPROVEMENT FUND. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

RESHAPE AND RESURFACE THE 10TH AND 14TH HOLE COMBINED BACK TEE
AREA AT CRANBERRY VALLEY GOLF COURSE

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$30,000 from the Golf Improvement Fund to reshape and resurface the 10th and 14th hole combined back tee area, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf. Estimated cost: \$30,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$30,000 BE FUNDED FROM THE GOLF IMPROVEMENT FUND. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

DRAINAGE REPAIR ON HOLES 10 AND HOLE 13

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$31,000 from the Golf Improvement Fund to perform drainage work on holes 10 and 13 to prevent water damage at both locations, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Director of Golf. Estimated cost: \$31,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$31,000 BE FUNDED FROM THE GOLF IMPROVEMENT FUND. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

REPLACEMENT OF SAQUATUCKET HARBOR DOCK – ENGINEERING DESIGN

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds transferred from a dedicated fee account, or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund the engineering design and associated permitting to replace the Saquatucket Municipal Marina docks, piles and services to include a handicap accessible ramp system

that brings the marina in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), dredge required areas. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. c.59 § 21c (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of and the interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Harbormaster, Estimated cost: \$500,000.

Explanation: Engineering design and permitting is the first step required towards the much needed replacement of the docks at Saquatucket Municipal Marina. The docks are unstable and present a safety concern for the public; wood decking and framing is worn and splintered, much of the connecting hardware is bent and the flotation is deteriorated. The fire standpipe and bubbler systems are antiquated and ineffective. With three passenger vessels over 40 feet in length operation out of the harbor, there is a real need (and requirement once renovations are made) to provide handicap accessibility. Saquatucket Harbor is a major attraction within the coastal Town of Harwich and as such generates a significant amount of revenue for the Town.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH AN AMOUNT OF \$500,000 FROM CAPITAL EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL ALLOW ENGINEERING AND DESIGN TO PROCEED WITH THE POSSIBLE BUILDING OF THE REPLACEMENT DOCKS TO BE FUNDED NEXT YEAR. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY (G.L. C59, S21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

DPW FACILITY REPAIRS

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to purchase, equip, and install the following items and to act fully thereon. By request of the DPW Director.
Estimated cost: \$156,087

Replace Steel Siding & Gutters	\$ 95,400
Reconstruct Trench Drain System	\$ 27,681
DPW Boiler Replacement	\$ 26,105
Air Compressor Replacement	\$ 6,901

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND AN AMOUNT OF \$156,087 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE FACILITY IS AGING AND NEEDS REPAIR TO ASSURE ITS CONTINUED VIABILITY. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer from available funds in accordance with Ch.44 of the M.G.L., or any other authorizing authority, the sum of \$250,000 to fund the Road Maintenance Program as requested in the Capital Plan for FY16. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. c.59 § 21c (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of and the interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By request of the DPW Director. Estimated cost: \$250,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 FROM DEBT EXCLUSION. THIS EXPENDITURE WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FOR THE DPW TO CONTINUE MAINTAINING TOWN ROADS AS REQUIRED BY TOWN RESIDENTS. THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION ON TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L. C.59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½). VOTE: YES-6, NO-0

DPW VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to purchase and equip the following vehicles:

Elgin Mechanical Street Sweeper (Highway)	\$190,000
Peterbilt or Mack Road Tractor (Disposal)	\$150,000

and to further authorize the trade-in or sale of the following old vehicles toward the purchase price, where the Board of Selectmen find that the vehicles cannot be utilized elsewhere in Town:

2003 Elgin Pelican Mechanical Street Sweeper
1977 R Model Mack Road Tractor

and to act fully thereon. By request of the DPW Director. Estimated cost: \$340,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$340,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS. TO REPLACE A STREET SWEEPER FOR OUR MANY ROADWAYS THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND ROAD TRACTOR FOR USE BY THE DISPOSAL SECTION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

FUND BEACH STAIRWAY REPLACEMENT MATERIALS

ARTICLE 23 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow and/or transfer a sufficient sum of money to purchase all materials to replace beach stairs at the following beaches for safety purposes, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Recreation and Youth Commission. Estimated Cost: \$35,000.00.

Explanation: The beaches that need repairs to the stairs are: Grey Neck Beach, Atlantic Avenue Beach, Wah Wah Tay See Beach, Zylpha Road Beach, Ocean Avenue Beach, Wyndemere Bluffs Beach, Sea Street Beach

**FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$35,000 FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS. THIS WILL ALLOW FOR GREATER PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.
VOTE: YES-6, NO-0**

COMPLETE THE COLD BROOK NITROGEN ATTENUATION STUDY

ARTICLE 24 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to conduct and complete the Cold Brook Nitrogen Attenuation Study started last year with its goal to reduce the cost of the wastewater program, and to act fully thereon. By the request of Wastewater Implementation Committee estimated Cost: \$50,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$50,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED. THIS WILL PROVIDE FUNDING TO COMPLETE THE STUDY OF THE NITROGEN MITIGATION (REDUCTION) POTENTIAL OF COLD BROOK AND CONTINUE WITH THE FIRST PHASE OF OUR WASTEWATER PLAN. FURTHERMORE, THIS PROJECT MAY GREATLY REDUCE TOTAL WASTEWATER COSTS. THESE FUNDS REPRESENT THE FINAL HALF OF THE MONIES NEEDED FOR THE COLD BROOK STUDY AS CURRENTLY ESTIMATED. VOTE: YES-4, NO-2.

FINALIZE THE COMPREHENSIVE WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN REGULATORY REVIEW

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to complete the regulatory state review process in the Cape Cod Commission's (CCC) DRI process of the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP), and to continue the public outreach effort for the CWMP, and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Wastewater Implementation Committee. Estimated cost. \$75,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$75,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED. THIS WILL

PROVIDE FUNDING TO RESPOND TO REGULATORY COMMENTS/QUESTIONS TO COMPLETE OUR DRAFT CWMP CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW. VOTE: YES-4, NO-2.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONSTRUCTION OF MUDDY CREEK BRIDGE

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to supplement previous funds and grants to construct the Muddy Creek Bridge, and further authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept any State, Federal or private grant monies available for this purpose, and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Wastewater Implementation Committee. Estimated cost \$500,000

Explanation: The Muddy Creek Bridge Project was originally designed to meet the existing state bridge program guidelines. Due to the timing of the project those guidelines changed in the middle of the project requiring more extensive review of our analysis based upon the new FEMA floodplain maps as well as the new complete streets initiative by Mass DOT. The result of these two significant changes has led to increased costs. Where primarily the majority of the project is being funded by grants these additional costs exceed the grants allocated. Therefore this supplemental budget request is being presented in order to continue the project forward.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS WILL PROVIDE FUNDING TO COMPLETE THE PORTION OF THE PROJECT THAT IS NOT COVERED BY GRANTS AS EXPLAINED IMMEDIATELY ABOVE. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

FUND PURCHASE OF LAND FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND EFFLUENT RECHARGE SITE

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, or take by eminent domain for wastewater treatment and/or effluent recharge the following property - the 24.60 acre parcel of vacant land shown on Assessors Map 85 parcel B1 owned by the heirs of Judah Eldridge et al.. Together with and subject to all rights and easement of record. And further to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for said acquisition. The appropriation authorized by this full shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitation on total taxes imposed by M. G. L. Chapter 59 §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amounts required to pay the principal of any interest on any borrowing authorized under this article, and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: Pending

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS WILL PROVIDE FUNDING TO PURCHASE THE LAND NECESSARY FOR USE AS A SITE FOR WASTEWATER RECHARGE AND/OR TREATMENT AS OUTLINED IN OUR DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE

WASTEWATER PLAN. PROCUREMENT OF A PARCEL FOR THIS PURPOSE IS A CRITICAL PART OF THE STEPS NECESSARY FOR OUR WASTEWATER PLAN. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

**LOTHROP AVENUE WATER TANK REPLACEMENT ENGINEERING
REAUTHORIZATION OF ARTICLE 10 OF THE MAY 7, 2013 SPECIAL TOWN
MEETING.**

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, including the appropriation voted under Article 10 of the 2013 Special Town Meeting, and/or borrow a sufficient sum of money to fund the needed structural repairs and interior and exterior painting of the 1.0 million gallon Lothrop Avenue water storage tank or identify an alternative site for the location of a new water tank, and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Water Commission and Acting Water Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$200,000

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THE FUNDING OF THIS ARTICLE WILL COME FROM AN OLD ARTICLE THAT WAS PASSED FOR THE SAME PURPOSE AT A PREVIOUS TOWN MEETING. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

FUND REPLACEMENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT VEHICLE

ARTICLE 29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient money to purchase and equip one new Ford F350 for the Water Department and to further authorize trade in, sale or re-purpose of a Water Department vehicle and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Water Commission and Acting Water Superintendent. Estimated cost: \$47,000.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE BELIEVES THIS VEHICLE PURCHASE IS APPROPRIATE AND AN OLDER F250 TRUCK WITH MANY MILES WILL BE TRADED IN SO THE NUMBER OF VEHICLES IN THE FLEET REMAINS THE SAME. THE FUNDS FOR THIS PURCHASE WILL COME FROM WATER RATE COLLECTIONS. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

**RESERVE FOR FUTURE APPROPRIATION AMOUNTS FROM FY 2015
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND ESTIMATED ANNUAL REVENUES**

ARTICLE 30 To see if the Town will vote to reserve for future appropriations amounts from the FY 2015 Community Preservation Act Fund estimated annual revenues as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee as follows:

- A sum of money for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space excluding land for recreation;
- A sum of money for the acquisition, preservation, restoration and rehabilitation of historic resources;

- A sum of money for the acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing; and
- A sum of money for the Community Preservation Act Fund FY 2015 Undesignated Reserve; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPF WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

RESTORATION OF THE ROGERS GROUPS SCULPTURES

ARTICLE 31 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, \$23,000 to fund an on-site evaluation and assessment, develop a conservation treatment plan and perform the conservation treatment for the 26 historic sculptures located at the Brooks Free Library and owned by the Town. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Brooks Free Library Board of Trustees.
Estimated Cost: \$23,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$ 23,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS-HISTORIC RESERVE. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

RESTORATION OF 1858 MAP BY HENRY F. WHALLING

ARTICLE 32 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, \$2,000 to fund the restoration of "The 1858 Map of the Counties of Barnstable, Dukes, & Nantucket, Massachusetts" maintained by the Harwich Historical Society and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a grant agreement with the Harwich Historical Society. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Historic Reserve, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Historical Society. Estimated Cost: \$2,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$ 2,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS-HISTORIC RESERVE. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

PURCHASE OF LAND FOR OPEN SPACE PURPOSES – ACQUIRE HALL
PROPERTY AT BELL’S NECK/HERRING RIVER

ARTICLE 33 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase, gift, or take by eminent domain, for open space purposes under the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 40, §8C, a parcel of land approximately 4.1 acres in size, bounded on the north by the Cape Cod Rail Trail, bounded on the east by West Reservoir and bounded on the south by Town of Harwich Bell’s Neck Conservation Lands, said parcel being a portion of land situated on Depot Street, West Harwich, shown on Harwich Assessor’s Map 36 as parcel T3, and further described in Barnstable County Land Court Certificate No. 191269, with the care, custody, control and management of such parcel to be vested with the Conservation Commission; and, further, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Act Funds-Open Space Reserve, the Community Preservation Act Funds-Undesignated Reserve, and/or a receipts pursuant to the provisions of Ch.149, §298 of the Acts of 2004, as amended by Ch. 352, §§129-133 of the Acts of 2004, the so-called Community Preservation Act, a sum of money for the foregoing acquisition and costs incidental or related thereto, including, without limitation, costs of appraisals and closing costs; to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission to apply for, accept and expend any funds which may be provided by the Commonwealth or other public sources to defray all or a portion of the costs of acquiring said parcel, including, but not limited to, funding under the Self-Help Act, General Laws, ch.132A, §11, and/or the Federal Land & Water Conservation Fund, P.L. 88-568, 78 Stat 897, provided that any such grant funds shall be returned upon receipt to the fund from which said sum was appropriated; to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission to grant to the Harwich Conservation Trust, or any other qualified organization, a conservation restriction pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. Ch.184, §31-33, in compliance with M.G.L. c.44B, §12(a), protecting the property for the open space purposes, on such terms and conditions as the Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission deem appropriate; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or Conservation Commission to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient to effectuate the foregoing purposes. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Real Estate and Open Space Committee.
Estimated cost: \$ Pending

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPFI WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0, RECUSE-1.

HARWICH AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ARTICLE 34 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Act Funds-Community Housing Reserve, and to transfer to the Harwich Housing Authority, the sum of \$300,000 for the purpose of funding a rental assistance program. Any funds left unspent from this Article are to be returned to the Community Preservation Act Funds-Community Housing Reserve, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee and the Harwich Housing Authority.
Estimated Cost: \$300,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$ 300,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS-COMMUNITY HOUSING RESERVE. VOTE: YES-6, NO-1.

FUND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

ARTICLE 35 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Community Preservation Fund-Undesignated Reserve, \$50,000 for administrative costs of the Community Preservation Committee, including the preparation of a Community Preservation Plan; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Community Preservation Committee.
Estimated Cost: \$50,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$ 50,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED FROM COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT FUNDS-UNDESIGNATED RESERVE. VOTE: YES-6, NO-1.

AMEND THE TOWN CHARTER, SECTION 6-7-2 LIBRARY TRUSTEES

ARTICLE 36 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for a special act in the form set forth below, amending the Town Charter to authorize the Board of Library Trustees to appoint all library staff rather than just "professional" staff; provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approve amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court; and, provided further that the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HARWICH

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 18 of the acts of 2006 is hereby amended by striking out the word "professional" in section 6-7-2.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

And to act fully thereon. By request of the Library Trustees

FINANCE COMMITTEE VOTED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH NO FUNDING NEEDED. THIS ARTICLE WILL GRANT THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FLEXIBILITY IN APPOINTING STAFF AND TO APPROVE AMENDMENTS.

ADOPT M.G.L., CHAPTER 59, SECTION 5, CLAUSE 41D – SENIOR EXEMPTIONS

ARTICLE 37 To see if the Town will vote to adopt MGL Chapter 59, Sec 5, Clause 41D, which authorizes an annual increase in the income (gross receipts) and asset (whole estate) limit for exemptions granted to senior citizens under MGL 59, Section 5, Clause 41C, by the percentage increase in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index for the previous year as determined by the Commissioner of Revenue. This change to take effect for FY 2016; and act fully thereon. Estimated cost: from Overlay Account. By request of the Board of Assessors

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

DEFRAY EXPENSES OF THE CHASE LIBRARY AND HARWICH PORT LIBRARY

ARTICLE 38 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 to help defray the expenses of the Chase Library and Harwich Port Library; said funds to be expended under the direction of the Chase Library and Harwich Port Library Trustees, and to act fully thereon. By Petition. Estimated cost: \$20,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH \$20,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED BY TAXES AND FEES. THIS IS AN ANNUAL CUSTOMARY ARTICLE AND HAS BEEN FUNDED BY THE TOWN FOR DECADES. THIS FUNDING ASSISTS BOTH THE CHASE AND HARWICHPORT LIBRARIES WITH DEFRAYING THEIR OPERATING EXPENSES. BOTH LOCATIONS CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS. VOTE: YES-4, NO-2

PROMOTE THE TOWN OF HARWICH

ARTICLE 39 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the Harwich Chamber of Commerce to promote the Town and its businesses and to advance economic development initiatives for and with the Town of Harwich. Said

monies to be used to manage and fulfill year-round visitor/resident/business information services, to promote and market the Town, to generate and initiate materials and activities that encourage the establishment, growth and sustainability of businesses in Harwich, and to implement economic development objectives and activities in partnership with the Town, and to act fully thereon. By petition. Estimated cost: \$25,000.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$25,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED.
VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

HARWICH SINGLE USE PLASTIC BAG PROHIBITION

ARTICLE 40 To see if the Town will vote to amend the General By-Laws to prohibit the usage of single use plastic checkout bags at all retail establishments and take out restaurants in the Town of Harwich. Single use plastic checkout bags with integral handles and a thickness of less than 2.5 mils intended to be used for the transport of products purchased at an establishment as defined in the proposed By Law Amendment will be prohibited following a 12 month phase in period.

Establishments will have the choice to offer reusable bags at no charge or to charge for a paper or other reusable bag.

Thin film plastic bags used to contain dry cleaning, newspapers, produce, meat, bulk foods, wet foods and other similar merchandise, typically without handles, are exempt from the provisions of the proposed By Law Amendment.

The provisions of the proposed By Law Amendment will be enforceable by the Harwich Police Department and agents of the Board of Health. By Petition.

HARWICH SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAG PROHIBITION

PURPOSE AND INTENT

- The production and use of single purpose plastic bags has significant impacts on the marine and land environment of communities including coastal communities, including but not limited to deaths of marine and terrestrial animals through ingestion, entanglement, the pollution of land resources through litter requiring significant expense to remove, the clogging of storm drainage systems, interference with single stream resource recovery systems which are generally not equipped to handle plastic bags and using millions of gallons of fossil fuels in the U.S. in connection with their manufacture.
- Therefore, the Town of Harwich seeks to phase out the single use plastic bags by all retail establishments over the period of 12 months from the effective date of this bylaw. The purpose of this legislation is to phase out the usage single-use check out bags by retail establishments and restaurants in the Town of Harwich.

DEFINITIONS

- "Establishment" means any business selling goods, articles, food or personal services to the public, including take out restaurants.

- “Single use plastic bags” means bags made of plastic with integral handles, and of a thickness less than 2.5 mils, that are intended to be used for the transport of products purchased at an establishment as defined herein.
- “Reusable bag” means a bag that is specifically designed for multiple use and is made of cloth, fabric or other durable materials.

USE REGULATIONS

- Single-use plastic bags shall not be distributed or sold at any Establishment within the Town of Harwich. Existing stock of single-use bags shall be phased out within 12 months of adoption of this bylaw; any remaining stock shall be disposed of properly by the Establishment.
- Customers are encouraged in the meantime, to bring their own reusable shopping bags to stores. Establishments may provide reusable bags at no charge or charge a fee for paper or other reusable bag, as they choose. Establishments are strongly encouraged to make reusable bags available to customers at a reasonable price.
- Thin-film plastic bags used by Establishments to contain dry cleaning, newspapers, produce, meat, bulk foods, wet items and other similar merchandise, typically without handles, are exempt from the provisions of this By-Law.

ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

- This By-Law may be enforced by any Town police officer, enforcement officers or agents of the Board of Health.
- This By-law may be enforced through any lawful means in law or in equity, including but not limited to, non-criminal disposition pursuant to G.L. c. 40 sec. 21D and appropriate chapter of the General By-Laws of the Town of Harwich. If non-criminal disposition is elected, then any Establishment which violates any provision this By-Law shall be subject to the following penalties:
 First Offense: \$50 fine
 Second Offense: \$100 fine
 Third and subsequent Offense \$200 fine
- Subsequent offenses shall be determined as offenses occurring within two years of the date of the first noticed offense. Each day or portion thereof shall constitute a separate offense.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION FOR IMPLEMENTATION AT THE TIME OF PRINTING THIS WARRANT. VOTE: YES-6, NO-1

SUPPLEMENT ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL FOR
LOCAL CULTURAL COUNCIL GRANTS

ARTICLE 41 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to supplement the Massachusetts Cultural Council annual allocation for grant awards to artists, performers and interpretive scientists who bring events to local venues which enhance the cultural experience of Harwich citizens of all ages, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Harwich Cultural Council. Estimated Cost: \$3,000

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED AND THAT \$3,000 BE RAISED AND APPROPRIATED.
VOTE: YES-4, NO-2**

STABILIZATION FUND

ARTICLE 42 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from surplus revenue or available funds a sufficient sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, and act fully thereon. By the request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$350,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPF). AT THE TIME OF PRINTING IT WAS UNCERTAIN IF THERE WERE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THIS ARTICLE.

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS AUTHORIZATION

ARTICLE 43 To see if the Town will vote to authorize revolving funds for certain town departments under M.G.L. Ch. 44, § 53E ½ for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorize to Spend Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Use of Fund</u>	<u>FY 16 Spending Limit</u>	<u>Disposition of FY15 fund balance</u>
Golf	Director & Golf Committee	Golf Lessons and Pro Shop Sales	Pro Shop expenses, clubhouse maintenance/modernization, and lessons instructor	\$200,000	Available for expenditure
Council on Aging	Director & Council on Aging	Fees from health, recreation, nutrition and education programs	health, recreation, nutrition and education programs	\$125,000	Available for expenditure

<u>Revolving Fund</u>	<u>Authorize to Spend Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Source</u>	<u>Use of Fund</u>	<u>FY 16 Spending Limit</u>	<u>Disposition of FY15 fund balance</u>
Cemetery	Administrator & Cemetery Commission	90% of Lot Sales, 100 % of all Cemetery Services and Fees	Maintenance of town cemeteries	\$50,000	Available for expenditure
Community Center	Director & Facilities Committee	Fees from use of the weight room	Weight Room Equipment (and repair)	\$50,000	Available for expenditure
Recreation	Director & Rec & Youth Commission	Fees from recreation and youth programs	Recreation and youth programs	\$120,000	Available for expenditure
Albro House	Town Planner through the HDHC	Receipts of lease or fees from room use or rentals	Restoration, maintenance, care and support of property	\$10,000	Available for expenditure
Americans with Disabilities Act	Town Administrator	Receipts of parking penalty fees	Interpreter services or accommodations required under ADA	\$2,500	Available for expenditure

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-5, NO-0.

APPROVE EASEMENT FOR VERIZON AND EVERSOURCE (FORMERLY NSTAR ELECTRIC) AT 81 OAK STREET – MONOMOY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

ARTICLE 44 To see if the Town will vote to grant an exclusive and perpetual easement to Verizon New England and EverSource to place and maintain poles and facilities on town-owned property located at 81 Oak Street (Monomoy Regional High School) in Harwich as shown on plan titled "Town of Harwich – Recreational Land – Harwich, Mass – Scale 100'-1", January 25, 1954, Chase, Kelley & Sweetser, Engineers & Surveyors – Dennisport", and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. IN A PRIOR YEAR, TOWN MEETING VOTED TO GRANT A TEMPORARY UTILITY EASEMENT TO SERVE THE MONOMOY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL; THIS ARTICLE PROPOSES TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANT OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT NOW THAT THE BUILDING HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED AND OTHER SITE WORK HAS BEEN COMMENCED OR COMPLETED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS

ARTICLE 45 To see if the Town will vote to approve the revised Cemetery Department Rules and Regulations as submitted by the Harwich Cemetery Commission, and to act fully thereon. (Changes are in **BOLD UNDERLINED**)

HARWICH CEMETERY COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS OF HARWICH CEMETERIES

I. Rules

1. Town Cemeteries are open daily from dawn to dusk.
2. No vehicle shall be operated in any part of the cemeteries and at speeds no faster than 10 MPH. Violators will be subject to a speeding fine.
3. Recreational motorcycling, roller skating, skateboarding, and/or any other types of similar recreational sports are prohibited. The Town is not liable for any injuries sustained by any person participating in a recreational activity within Cemetery property. Any activity that encroaches on individual lots or graves is prohibited.
4. Any person disturbing the quiet and/or order of the grounds by loud noise, speeding, or other improper or disorderly conduct, or who shall violate any of these rules, will be removed from the grounds and such person will be dealt with as provided by law. The entrance of any intoxicated person is prohibited.
5. No person shall remove, cut, break or mark any tree or shrub; or mark upon, deface, or injure any monument or structure on the grounds.
6. Gravestone repairs or rubbings require prior authorization of the Cemetery Commission or its designated agent. A copy of the Association for Gravestones Studies *Gravestone Rubbings Do's and Don'ts* will be provided.
7. Firearms shall not be discharged in the cemeteries, except for salutes at military funerals, Memorial Day, or Veterans Day.

II. Interments

1. Burial lots in the cemeteries shall be used for no other purpose than a place for the interment of the human dead including cremation remains.
2. No interment shall be made until the Cemetery Administrator or designee has been furnished with a burial permit and/or cremation certificate as required by law, together with a written order/interment form from the legal owner, or the legal representative of the right of burial in the lot in which interment is to be made. No grave shall be opened for interment or removal unless authorized by the Cemetery Commission and the area has been flagged by Cemetery personnel.
3. All interments shall be enclosed in a cement vault except. Infants shall require an approved container. Cremations shall require an urn or other permanent approved container.
4. Lot usage: In lots (4' x 10') one full burial and one cremation or four cremations. In cremation lots (4' x 3') two cremations.
5. **Single Cremation in Harwich Center Cemetery. Lot usage is for one cremated remain for internment in this section (internment rights are from Plan of Land**

in Harwich (Center) "Proposed Cremation Section") map prepared by Harwich Engineering Department file # 1529-00.

III. Cemetery Lots

1. Cemetery personnel shall furnish, to those who desire to purchase rights of burial in lots or graves, information relative to the cost of the same and the conditions upon which interments may be made.
2. The owners of rights of burial, or their heirs, shall not sell the said exclusive right of burial other than to the Town of Harwich, as provided for under MGL Ch.114. Compensation will be no greater than the original purchase price.
3. Assignment of right of burial shall be arranged by first contacting the Cemetery Administrator. An assignment form needs to be completed, notarized and submitted to the Cemetery Administrator in order to ensure accurate recording of all assignments.
4. Upon the death of the title owner, a lot passes to heirs-at-law (MGL.Ch.114, s.29) unless specifically devised by will or trust (subject to Ch. 190, sec.3).
6. A full burial lot (minimum 4'x10') containing recorded remains, may, also, accommodate one cremation burial, provided the cremation remains be that of an heir-at-law or family member of the prior interred remains and be so certified and approved by the Commission.
7. Burial lots for the interment of any indigent resident Veteran are provided at no cost and are set aside for burials of Veterans residing in the Town at the time of their entry into service and /or at the time of their death verified by the Veterans Agent and subject to the approval of the Cemetery Commission.
8. Single grave space may be made available to the resident parents and without charge for the indigent, stillborn or very young infant within the Town at the time of death.
9. All work performed on graves or lots by the owners, or by their order, shall be performed only with prior authorization of Cemetery personnel in order to preserve as much as possible the natural appearance of cemeteries.
10. Maintenance of all plantings and maintenance and removal of all plantings and holiday arrangement placed by a lot owner, or designee, is the responsibility of the lot owner, and the Cemetery Commission reserves the right to remove any planting that becomes unsightly. The Town of Harwich is not liable for items left at a grave, or damage to flowers, flags, containers, or monuments due to weather, vandalism, theft, or maintenance procedures.
11. Annual/perennial flowers must be planted at the base of a monument/marker, so as to not interfere with maintenance department procedures
12. Fences, borders, curbing, hedges, trees, rampant-growing plantings and crushed stone are prohibited. No signs or lettered wooden boards of any kind are permitted on a gravesite, unless prior approval by Cemetery Commission. Any bench or structure needs prior approval by Cemetery Commission before installation.
13. Masons, stonecutters and all workmen shall at all times be under the control of Cemetery Commission and must carry off all rubbish and restore roads, avenues and paths, damaged by their operations. The Town of Harwich will not be responsible for any errors made by any improper inscription on any memorial.

14. The Town reserves the right to correct any errors made in the description, transfer or conveyance of any interment rights or property, either by canceling such conveyance and substituting and conveying in lieu thereof interment property or burial rights of equal value and similar location may be selected by Cemetery Commission.

IV. Markers, Headstones, Monuments

1. SINGLE LOT – 30"width (left to right) x 16" (front to back) and/or two flush markers.
2. CREMATION LOT
 - A. Cremation Lot (4' x 3') maximum of 2 flush markers measuring 2' x 1' per marker or 1 marker not to exceed 2' x 2'.
 - B. Harwich Center Cemetery Cremation Lot (size) one flush marker measuring 8" x 6" with 6" x 4" bronze plaque.
3. MULTIPLE LOTS – Marker is not to exceed 50% of the width of lot with a base depth of 18" maximum and height of 48".
4. IN EXISTING CEMETERIES – Where family lots have been established, those families will be allowed to add memorials to duplicate the existing markers or headstones.
5. No markers, headstones, monuments, curbing or other structure will be permitted to be erected in the cemeteries without a sufficient foundation. All markers, headstones, monuments and other structures shall be made of granite, marble, slate, or other approved marker. All monuments are to be centered at the head of lot or centered at the mid-line.
6. A marble or granite bench will be allowed on a lot as the *only* permanent, central, inscribed, memorial; therefore both a monument and a bench are not permitted.
7. The Cemetery Administrator is required to have written notification prior to any foundation work/memorials placement, with all information outlined and submitted on a Cemetery Department Monument Permit Order. Prior to the initiation of any monument work, the lot must be marked/flagged by Cemetery Department personnel. Monuments are required to be set in such manner that they will not conflict with the alignment of neighboring monuments.
8. Monuments and other structures that are not in compliance are subject to removal without notice.

V. Administration

Under the administrative direction of the Town Administrator and the policy direction of the Cemetery Commissioners, the Cemetery Administrator shall have overall responsibility for the proper administration of Town Cemeteries in accordance with these rules and regulations and applicable Federal and State laws. The Town of Harwich Home Rule Charter and MGL Ch. 114 establish the Cemetery Commission and the appointment of members. Duties of the Cemetery Commissioners are proscribed under MGL Ch. 114 S23 and the Town of Harwich Home Rule Charter, S 7-15-2.

VI. Active Cemeteries (*Burial space available*)

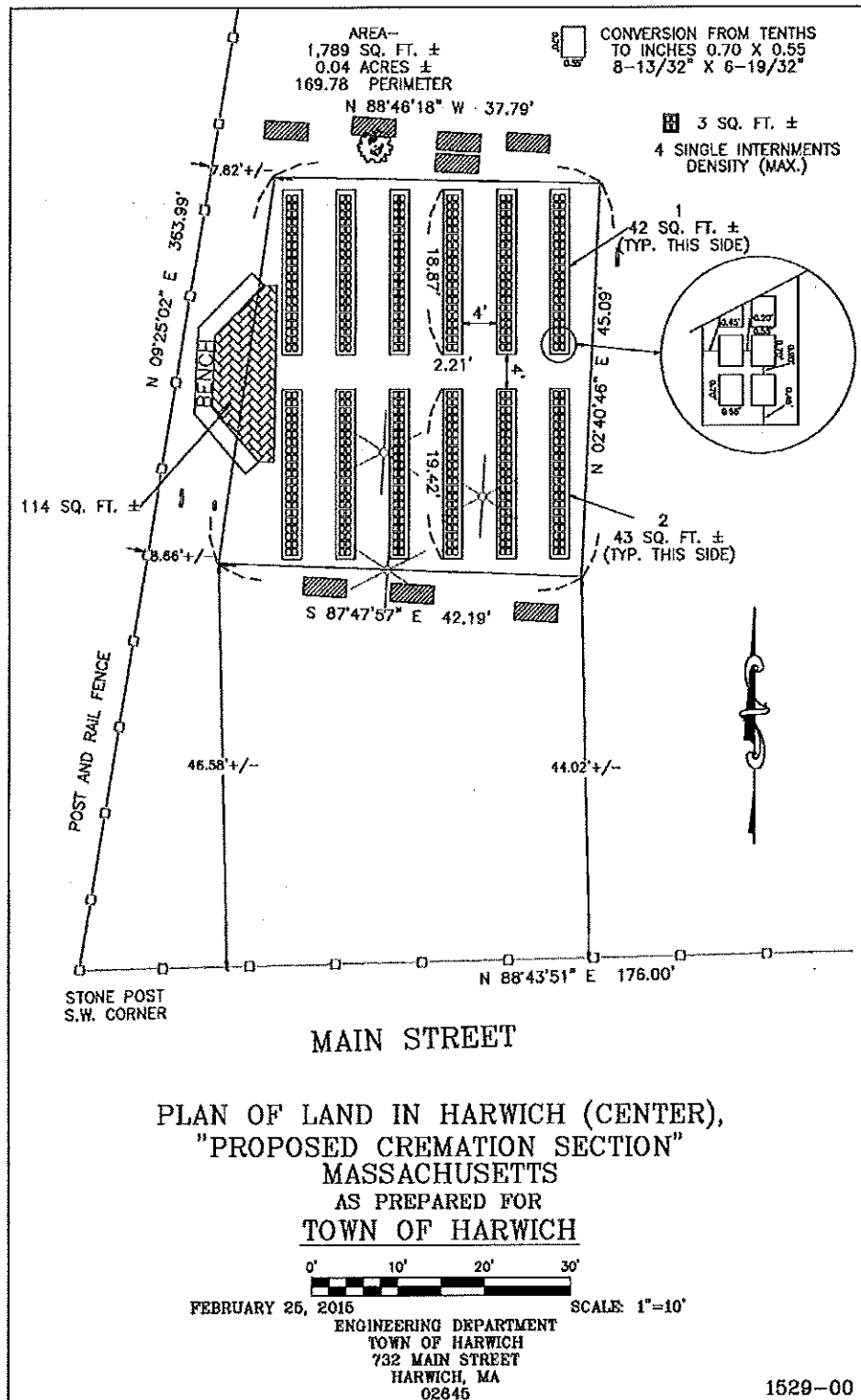
Evergreen Cemetery, 1403 Orleans Road and 40 Cemetery Road, East Harwich
Island Pond Cemetery, 15 Island Pond Road, Harwich Center
Mount Pleasant Cemetery, 95 South Street, Harwich Port
Kelley Cemetery, 18 Old Brewster Road, North Harwich
South Harwich Cemetery, 270 Chatham Road, South Harwich
Pine Grove Cemetery, 32 Pine Grove Road, West Harwich
North Harwich Cemetery, 610 Depot Street & Main Street Ext., North Harwich
Harwich Center Cemetery, 686 Main Street, AKA Congregational Church Yard Cemetery

VII. Inactive Cemeteries (*No burial lots available for sale*)

Bank Street Burial Ground, Bank Street, near Long Road
Baptist Church Cemetery, Depot Street & 62 Route 28, West Harwich
Herring River, West Harwich, Herring River, West Harwich
Hawks Nest Cemetery, corner of Spruce and Walker Roads, East Harwich
Lothrop Cemetery, Off Lothrop Ave, West Harwich
Methodist Church Cemetery, corner Queen Anne Rd. & 15 Church Street, East Harwich
Old Methodist Cemetery, AKA Eldredge Cemetery Queen Anne Rd., East Harwich
Old Smith Cemetery, Bells Neck Road, West Harwich
Ryder Cemetery, Route 39 near water tower, Harwich

(Updated January 7, 2011 by the Cemetery Commission. Approved at Annual Town Meeting May 3, 2011.)

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

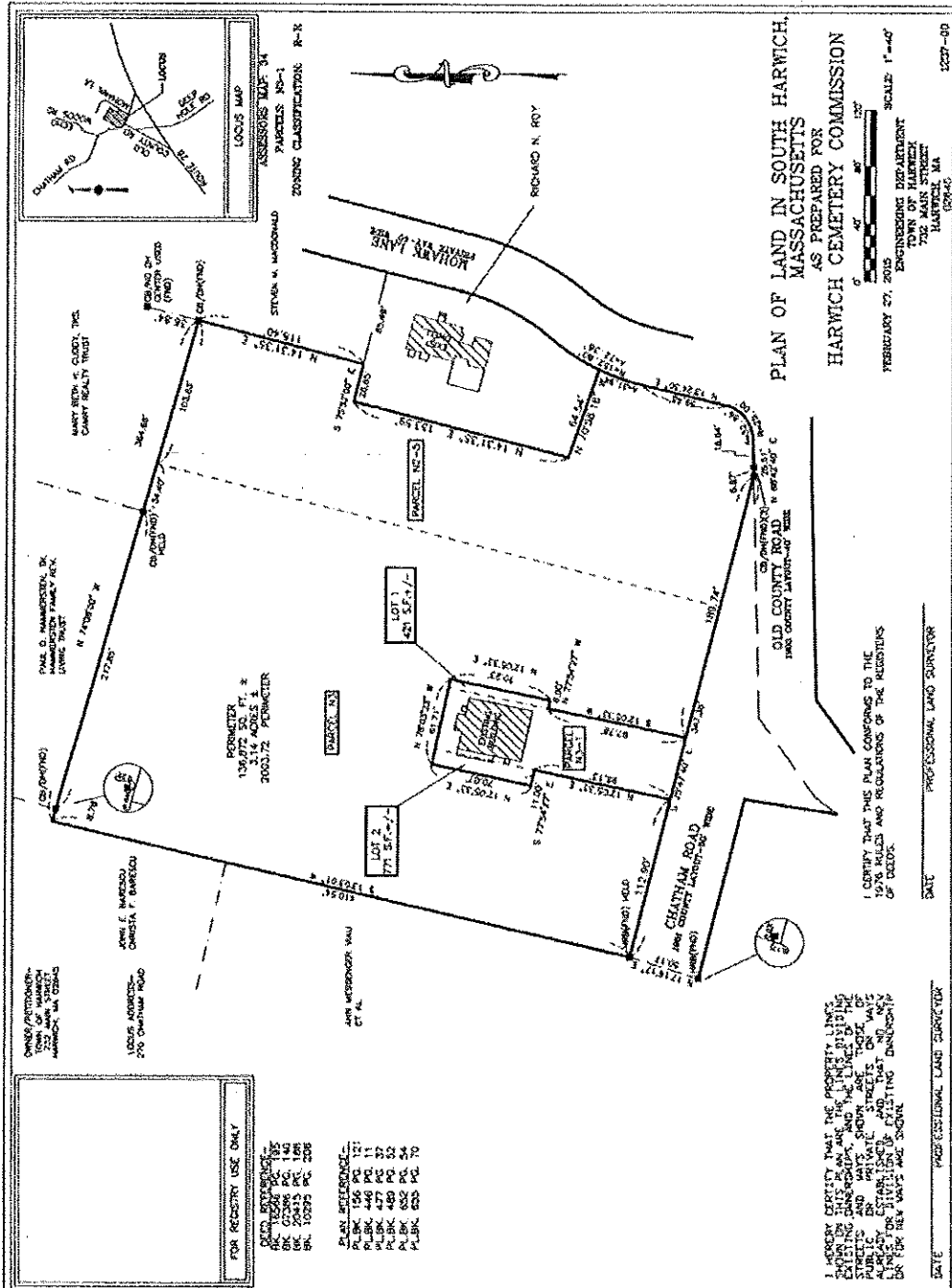


AUTHORIZE SOUTH HARWICH CEMETERY LAND TRANSFER

ARTICLE 46 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the care, custody, control and management of the following described parcels from the Harwich Cemetery Commission currently held for cemetery purposes to the Board of Selectmen to be held for general municipal purposes: South Harwich Cemetery property on Chatham Road, South Harwich (Parcel N3 on Assessor's Map 34) Lot 1 (421 sq ft ±) and Lot 2 (771 sq ft ±) to the South Harwich Methodist Church (Parcel N3-1 on Assessor's Map 34) on a plan titled "Plan of Land in South Harwich, Massachusetts" Plan Book 655 Page 70 and prepared by the Engineer Department, dated June 2, 2009 and revised through April 20, 2010; and further that the remainder of Parcel N2-5 on Assessor's Map 34 along with Parcel N3 on Assessor's Map 34 on the same plan being Lot 3 (136,872 sq ft ±) on a plan titled "Plan of Land in South Harwich, Massachusetts" Plan Book 652 Page 54 and prepared by the Engineer Department, dated May 2, 2011, to be held by the Harwich Cemetery Commission for cemetery purposes; and to act fully thereon. By request of the Cemetery Commission.

Explanation: The Town of Harwich Board of Selectmen has been working with an outside group to renovate the South Harwich Meetinghouse. In the process of doing those renovations, it was determined that the parcel in which the building is located needed additional area around the building. This area detailed as lot 1 and lot 2 on Plan Book 655 Page 70 will transfer control from the Harwich Cemetery Commission to the Board of Selectmen. The second part of this article is house cleaning to combine parcels N2-5 and N3 under the jurisdiction of Harwich Cemetery Commission.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS ARTICLE WOULD FURTHER AND CONTINUE THE SOUTH HARWICH MEETINGHOUSE INITIATIVE, ARTICLES FOR WHICH TOWN MEETING HAS VOTED FAVORABLY IN PRIOR YEARS. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.



AMEND THE PERSONNEL BY-LAW

ARTICLE 47 To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Harwich Personnel By-law sections as follows, and to act fully thereon. By request the Town Administrator.

Add to Part 8 – “Vacations”, the following **bolded text** to the end of the paragraph “a)”

- a. Employees who have been employed less than twelve (12) full months shall be granted vacation leave in the first partial fiscal year (July 1 to June 30) of employment, as follows:

Employees hired in July	10 days
Employees hired in August	10 days
Employees hired in September	9 days
Employees hired in October	8 days
Employees hired in November	7 days
Employees hired in December	6 days
Employees hired in January	5 days
Employees hired in February	4 days
Employees hired in March	3 days
Employees hired in April	2 days
Employees hired in May	1 day

And by deleting the following language in Part 9 – “Sick Leave”,

- i) An employee who uses 5 days or less of sick leave in a fiscal year will receive a bonus of **\$300** in the following year.

And replacing it with the following language:

- i) An employee who uses 5 days or less of sick leave in a fiscal year will receive a bonus of **\$325** in the following year.

And by deleting the following language in Part 11 – “Bereavement Leave”

Section 1. Bereavement leave without loss of pay for death of spouse, or child may be granted by the Department Head, and the employee will be granted leave for the next seven (7) work days.

Section 2. Bereavement leave without loss of pay for the death of a parent, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-

in-law, grandchild, or guardian, may be granted by the Department Head, and the employee will be granted leave for three (3) work days.

Section 3. Bereavement leave, without loss of pay not to exceed one (1) day for death of a grandparent, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew and first cousin may be granted by the Department Head.

And by replacing it with the following language:

Section 1. Bereavement leave without loss of pay for death of spouse, **domestic partner** or child may be granted by the Department Head, and the employee will be granted leave for the next seven (7) work days.

Section 2. Bereavement leave without loss of pay for the death of a parent, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchild, or guardian, may be granted by the Department Head, and the employee will be granted leave for **five (5)** work days.

Section 3. Bereavement leave, without loss of pay not to exceed **three (3)** days for death of a grandparent, aunt, uncle, **niece, nephew and first cousin** may be granted by the Department Head.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-5, NO-0.

FUND PRIOR YEAR'S UNPAID BILLS

ARTICLE 48 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to pay unpaid bills of prior years as provided for in M.G.L. Ch. 44, Section 64, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Finance Director/Accountant. Estimated cost: \$27,561.20

Nstar/Eversource – “unmetered condition” from 9/6/12 – 6/12/13 for pump stations 1-4

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPFI WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

COMPENSATING BALANCE AGREEMENT

ARTICLE 49 To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements with banking institutions for fiscal year 2014 pursuant to Chapter 44, § 53F of the General Laws and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS IS A CUSTOMARY ARTICLE WITH NO FUNDS ATTACHED FOR TOWN MEETING. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0.

LIABILITY TIDAL/NON-TIDAL RIVERS

ARTICLE 50 To see if the Town will assume the liability in the manner provided by § 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 516 and 524, Acts of 1950, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts, for improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers, streams, harbors, tide waters, foreshore and shores along a public beach outside of Boston Harbor, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers in accordance with § 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws and to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity to the Commonwealth and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-7, NO-0

HERRING FISHERIES

ARTICLE 51 To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Herring Fisheries and to act fully thereon. Customary Article.

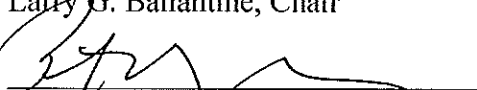
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS CUSTOMARY ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. VOTE: YES-5, NO-2.

Hereof fail not to make return of the Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

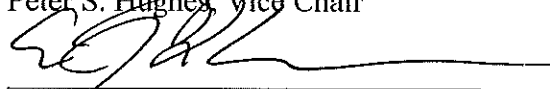
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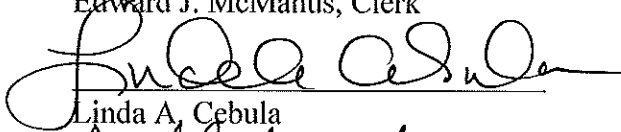
Larry G. Ballantine, Chair




Peter S. Hughes, Vice Chair



Edward J. McManus, Clerk



Linda A. Cebula



Angelo S. La Mantia

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

A true copy Attest:

Constable

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 5, 2015**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said county,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street in said Town on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 8:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLES

PURCHASE AND EQUIP DIGITAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS

ARTICLE 1 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sufficient sum of money to purchase two (2) digital public safety answering points required to provide enhanced 911 services to public safety dispatchers and the applicable support and other auxiliary services and equipment designed to implement the new devices. The appropriation authorized by this vote shall not take effect until the Town votes to exempt from the limitations on total taxes imposed by M.G.L. Ch. 59, §21C (Proposition 2 ½) the amount required to pay for the capital outlay expenditure authorized by this vote, and to act fully thereon. By the request of the Police Chief.
Estimated cost: \$60,000.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THIS ARTICLE BE
ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED WITH THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FROM CAPITAL
EXCLUSION. IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE (2017), THE COMMONWEALTH
WILL REQUIRE EACH CITY AND TOWN TO INSTALL NEW UPDATED
PSAP'S (PRIMARY ANSWERING POINTS) FOR E-911 SERVICE. THIS
EXPENDITURE WILL PURCHASE A NEW SECONDARY PSAP THAT IS
DIGITAL FUNCTIONING RATHER THAN THE PRESENT ANALOG SYSTEM.
THE APPROPRIATION AUTHORIZED BY THIS VOTE SHALL NOT TAKE
EFFECT UNTIL THE TOWN VOTES TO EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATION
ON THE TOTAL TAXES IMPOSED BY G.L C59, §21C PROPOSITION 2 ½ .
VOTE: YES-4, NO-2**

FUND THE SNOW AND ICE DEFICIT

ARTICLE 2 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sufficient sum of money to fund the Fiscal Year 2015 Snow and Ice Deficit Account, and to act fully thereon. By request of the Board of Selectmen. Estimated cost: \$535,000.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THIS ARTICLE BE ACCEPTED AND ADOPTED. THIS IS A CUSTOMARY ACTION WHEN THE TOWN HAS SIGNIFICANT SNOW REMOVAL OPERATIONS AS WAS THE CASE THIS YEAR, AND WHEN THE FINCOM RESERVE FUND DOES NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO OTHERWISE COVER THE EXPENSE. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

ZONING AMENDMENT – MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Zoning By-Laws by adding the following **bold and underlined** language:

§325-51 Special Permits.

M. Mixed Use Development.

(2) For each mixed-use development, there shall be **a minimum of 5,000 square feet of lot area per residential unit in the Commercial Village (C-V) District and a minimum of 10,000 square feet of lot area per residential unit in all other permitted districts.** Applications for mix-use development shall also comply with the Board of Health regulations.

And to act fully thereon. By request of the Planning Department and Planning Board.

Explanation: This dimensional change will facilitate construction of 2nd floor residential units above commercial uses. The proposed change is appropriate for existing villages areas in Harwich Center and Harwich Port that are zoned Commercial Village (C-V). This zoning change also clarifies that the dimensional requirement is for a "residential" unit rather than a commercial or other unit.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPI). FINCOM VOTES NRPI WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

ZONING AMENDMENT – OVERLAY DISTRICTS

ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote to amend the existing Zoning By-Laws by adding an additional dimensional requirement to the following sections as shown in **bold and underlined** language:

§325-51 Special Permits.

L. Village Commercial Overlay District.

(5) Dimensional requirements.

NEW [Insert after (e) and continue relettering of the remaining sections (g) and (h)]

(f) Minimum lot size shall be 15,000 square feet.

and,

§325-51 Special Permits.

O. Harwich Center Overlay District.

(5) Dimensional requirements.

NEW [Insert after (d) and reletter the final section (f)]

(e) Minimum lot size shall be 15,000 square feet.

And to act fully thereon. By request of the Planning Board.

Explanation: Insertion of a minimum lot size in the Village Commercial and Harwich Center Overlay Districts will facilitate development on existing vacant undersized village lots. With this zoning amendment, applicants will be able to seek review under the overlay provisions of §325-51.L and §325-51.O rather than requiring a variance.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NO RECOMMENDATION PENDING FURTHER INFORMATION (NRPFI). FINCOM VOTES NRPF WHEN, AT THE TIME THE WARRANT IS PRINTED, IT HAD INSUFFICIENT OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION TO MAKE AN INFORMED RECOMMENDATION. IT DOES NOT IMPLY A NEGATIVE FINCOM VIEW, ONLY AN INCOMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARTICLE SO VOTED. FINCOM WILL MAKE ITS FINAL RECOMMENDATION AT TOWN MEETING AFTER HAVING RECEIVED FURTHER INFORMATION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

ELIMINATE HUNTING IN BELLS NECK CONSERVATION AREA

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to eliminate all forms of hunting in the Bells Neck Conservation Area in West Harwich and its wetlands and that the area will be so posted, and to act fully thereon. By Petition.

Explanation: The land is bordered by too many homes on all sides including the bike trail. The Town's Conservation & Trails Committees objectives are to promote multiple usages of said lands and hunting does not co-exist with fishing, biking, hiking, birding and nature

walks, etc. Hunters do not pick up after themselves, especially along the Herring River marshes which is littered with plastic shotgun shells and alcohol containers. The idea of a conservation land is to preserve, not eradicate species. The Bells Neck Conservation Land and Marshes are too small to support the increasing number of hunters drawn to the area. It is not a safe situation any longer. (Hunters can shoot squirrels year round) It is an accident waiting to happen and who will be liable?

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE BELIEVES THAT THE GOAL OF THIS ARTICLE WOULD BETTER BE ADDRESSED THROUGH PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ACTIVITIES IN THE BELLS' NECK CONSERVATION LANDS, WHICH LANDS ARE UNDER THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

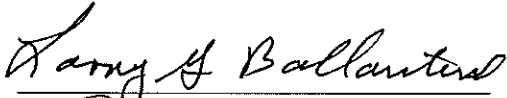
RETAIN THE HARWICH MIDDLE SCHOOL PROPERTY

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to retain the former Harwich Middle School property located on Sisson Road. Said property shares an access driveway with Harwich Elementary School, shares a septic system with Harwich Elementary School, houses Harwich-Chatham Little League with two baseball fields, and is of interest to many organizations (Harwich Town Band, Harwich Junior Theatre, and youth basketball, for example) as well as to private citizens for use of its facilities, including but not limited to its gymnasium, auditorium, and cafeteria, on a leased basis, which will generate revenue. We believe with the overcrowded Town Hall needing more space, and the Harwich Community Center also requesting more space, that this property will be the perfect mixed use municipal property for the Town of Harwich, and to act fully thereon. By Petition.

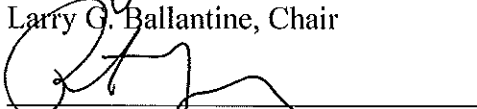
FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THIS ARTICLE BE INDEFINITELY POSTPONED. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE BELIEVES THAT THIS ARTICLE IS NON-BINDING AND FURTHER, LIMITING OPTIONS FOR THE USE OR DISPOSITION OF THE FORMER MIDDLE SCHOOL PROPERTY AT THIS JUNCTURE WOULD NOT BE IN THE TOWN'S BEST INTERESTS. ADDITIONALLY, NOTHING CURRENTLY PREVENTS THE TOWN'S USE OF THE FORMER MIDDLE SCHOOL BUILDING (AS THE PROPERTY IS UNDER THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN), AND IN FACT, TOWN DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN UTILIZING THE BUILDING FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS. VOTE: YES-6, NO-0.

Hereof fail not to make return of the Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

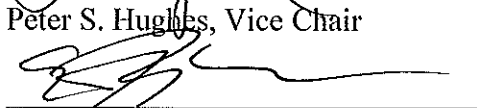
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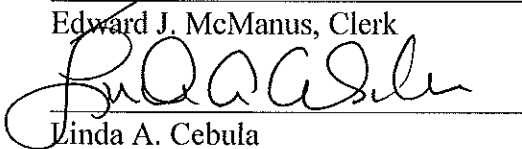
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**SAMPLE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HARWICH
ANNUAL ELECTION BALLOT
MAY 19, 2015**

BARNSTABLE, ss:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich in said County,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the Community Center Gymnasium, 100 Oak Street, in said Town on Tuesday, May 19, 2015, then and there to act on the following ballot:

POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 7:00 A.M. and CLOSE AT 8:00 P.M.

To choose on one (1) ballot the following Town Officers and Committees: one (1) Selectman for three (3) years; one (1) Selectman for a one (1) year unexpired term; one (1) Housing Authority Member for five (5) years; one (1) Housing Authority Member to fill a four (4) year unexpired term; one (1) Moderator for three (3) years; one (1) Monomoy Regional School Committee Member for three (3) years; three (3) Library Trustees for three (3) years; one (1) Water Commissioner for three (3) years.

BALLOT QUESTIONS

1. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$184,125 in real and personal property taxes for the purpose of funding the Monomoy Regional School Harwich Assessment for Capital Program for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015"

YES _____ NO _____

2. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the Muddy Creek Bridge Construction Project?"

YES _____ NO _____

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3. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$357,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of purchasing and equipping one new ambulance and necessary equipment for the Fire Department for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015?"

YES _____ NO _____

4. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$60,000 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of purchasing updated equipment for our Public Safety Answering Points and ancillary supplies located in the Public Safety Building for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015?"

YES _____ NO _____

5. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the Road Maintenance Program as requested in the Capital Plan?"

YES _____ NO _____

6. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$134,946 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of purchasing three (3) new cardiac monitors and (3) new automatic external defibrillators with a five year service contract for the Harwich Fire Department for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015?"

YES _____ NO _____

7. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to assess an additional \$38,290 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purpose of purchasing one (1) new Fire Chief response vehicle for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2015?"

YES _____ NO _____

8. Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to fund the engineering design and associated permitting to replace the Saquatucket Municipal Marina docks, piles and services to include a handicapped accessible ramp system and dredge required areas as requested in the Capital Plan?"

YES _____ NO _____

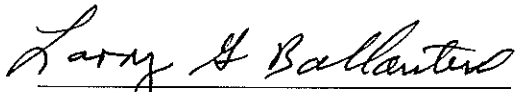
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9. "Shall the Town of Harwich be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to acquire, for wastewater treatment and/or effluent recharge, all or a portion of land now or formerly owned by the heirs of Judah Eldridge et al. , and located on the east side Seth Whitefield Road in Harwich, Mass, and shown on Assessor's map 85 as Parcel B1, containing 24.60 acres, more or less?"

YES _____ NO _____

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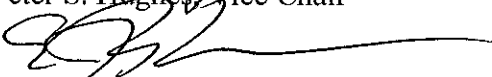
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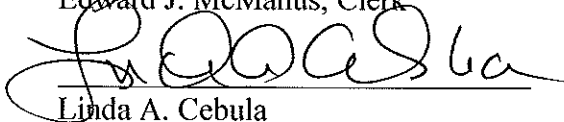
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Line

Line	BUDGET FY 2016 REVENUES	Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Town Meeting Budget FY 2016	% Change
5	DESCRIPTION					
8	Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes	\$ 38,449,706	\$ 38,910,555	\$ 40,630,825	\$ 43,592,789	7.3%
9	Local Receipts					
10	Excise Tax	1,670,628	1,528,000	1,514,221	1,950,000	28.8%
11	Hotel/ Motel & Meals	863,275	847,000	827,000	880,000	6.4%
12	Ambulance	981,281	980,000	1,000,000	1,275,000	27.5%
13	Waste Disposal	1,713,363	1,684,115	1,797,515	1,625,400	-9.6%
14	Beach, Recreation & Youth	317,005	296,953	296,953	345,500	16.3%
15	Harbors & Landings	825,219	893,074	893,074	893,074	0.0%
16	Golf Operations	1,694,280	1,686,000	1,690,500	1,748,000	3.4%
17	Other local receipts	1,523,813	1,321,231	1,229,797	1,388,491	12.9%
18	<u>Total Local Receipts</u>	<u>9,588,864</u>	<u>9,236,473</u>	<u>9,249,060</u>	<u>10,105,465</u>	<u>9.3%</u>
19	State Aid					
20	Cherry Sheet	598,237	592,864	639,396	681,038	6.5%
21	School Building Assistance	993,195	993,195	993,195	993,195	0.0%
22	Overlay Surplus	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0.0%
23	Waterways Mgmt.	35,000	35,000	-	-	
	Harbor Capital Improvement	-	-	-	65,839	0.0%
24	Library State Aid (Debt Service Grant)	-	-	-	-	
25	Cable Fund (Comcast)	215,000	215,000	233,275	239,107	2.5%
26	Septic Loan	17,265	17,265	17,358	17,358	0.0%
27	Water Enterprise Indirect Cost	528,230	509,872	495,520	590,931	19.3%
28	FEMA	14,000	14,000	13,650	13,991	2.5%
29	Road Betterments	38,580	35,750	30,100	29,525	-1.9%
30	Allen Harbor Betterments	-	-	-	100,000	
31	CPA Funds (land Bank)	759,930	704,970	683,875	662,275	-3.2%
32						
34	Total	\$ 51,338,007	\$ 51,364,944	\$ 53,086,254	\$ 57,191,513	7.7%
35	% increase/(decrease)		0.1%	3.4%	7.7%	

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Line	<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>				Town Meeting
		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
1	Moderator S&W	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
2	Selectmen's S&W	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
3	Selectmen's Expense	6,700	6,700	6,700	5,700
	Sub-Total	14,200	14,200	14,200	13,200
4	Finance Committee S&W	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300
5	Finance Committee Expense	450	450	450	450
	Sub-Total	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750
6	Finance Committee Reserve Fund. .	150,000	150,000	150,000	125,000
	Sub-Total	150,000	150,000	150,000	125,000
7	Accountant's S&W	217,571	217,571	230,997	241,367
8	Accountant's Expense	2,765	2,450	2,765	3,265
9	Audit	36,000	36,000	39,500	39,500
	Sub-Total	256,336	256,021	273,262	284,132
10	Assessors' S&W	236,597	205,400	210,497	220,378
11	Assessors' Expense	61,251	105,351	105,350	103,330
	Sub-Total	297,848	310,751	315,847	323,708
11a	Town Collections S&W	-	-	-	16,150
11b	Town Collections Exp	-	-	-	4,760
	Sub-Total	-	-	-	20,910
12	Postage	45,000	52,000	56,160	56,160
	Sub-Total	45,000	52,000	56,160	56,160

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<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>		Actual	Actual	Voted Budget	Town Meeting
Line		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
13	Treasurer/Tax Collector S&W . . .	226,730	225,008	232,897	231,826
14	Treasurer/Tax Collector Expense .	85,688	107,063	115,753	121,620
15	Treasurer Bonding/Tax Title	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	312,418	332,071	348,650	353,446
16	Medicare Town Share	146,529	191,525	200,239	207,504
	Sub-Total	146,529	191,525	200,239	207,504
17	Town Hall S&W	315,346	317,402	360,748	389,443
18	Town Hall Expense	68,832	71,000	72,497	72,572
19	Town Hall Capital Outlay	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Sub-Total	389,178	393,402	438,245	467,015
20	Legal Services	164,500	150,400	150,400	160,000
21	Claims & Suits	400	400	400	400
22	Land Transactions	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	164,900	150,800	150,800	160,400
23-a	Information Tech& CH 18 S & W	194,672	195,644	183,012	189,307
23-b	Info Tech& CH 18 Expenses	155,836	146,949	160,157	242,269
23-c	Sub-Total	350,508	342,593	343,169	431,576
24	Constable Salaries	680	680	680	694
25	Town Clerk's S&W	179,607	178,958	194,704	196,652
26	Town Clerk's Expense	29,448	25,904	37,952	34,848
	Sub-Total	209,055	204,862	232,656	231,500

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FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET

Line					Town Meeting
		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
27	Conservation Commission S&W . . .	49,712	58,098	68,663	70,421
28	Conservation Commission Expense .	5,896	6,596	7,089	6,746
	Sub-Total	55,608	64,694	75,751	77,168
29	Planning Dept S&W	123,839	126,027	131,097	83,922
30	Planning Dept Expense	2,650	2,750	2,750	1,740
	Sub-Total	126,489	128,777	133,847	85,662
31	Planning Board S&W	461	-	-	-
32	Planning Board Expense	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	461	-	-	-
33	Board of Appeals S&W	7,000	6,500	6,750	560
34a	Board of Appeals Expense	360	360	685	-
	Sub-Total	7,360	6,860	7,435	560
34b	Agricultural Committee	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	-	-	-	-
34c	Albro House Expense	-	-	-	4,455
34d	Old Recr Building Expense	-	-	-	4,927
34e	West Harwich School Expense	-	-	-	1,162
	Sub-Total	-	-	-	10,544
34f	Community Development S&W	-	-	-	269,348
34g	Community Development Expense	-	-	-	8,996

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<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>					Town Meeting
Line		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
	Sub-Total	-	-	-	278,344
35	Repairs to Public Buildings . . .	13,868	10,000	10,000	13,868
36	Town & Finance Committee Reports	13,000	12,000	12,000	13,000
37	CVEC Expenses	-	-	-	58,663
38	Advertising	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
39	Telephone	41,000	41,000	40,224	-
40	Bulk Fuel	-	-	-	-
41	Out of State Travel	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	71,368	66,500	65,724	89,031
40	Police Dept S&W	2,712,016	2,737,728	2,888,957	3,156,853
41	Police Dept Expense	345,395	342,854	389,552	414,240
42	Police Dept Capital Outlay . . .	84,900	105,000	134,430	152,933
	Sub-Total	3,142,311	3,185,582	3,412,939	3,724,026
45a	Animal Control	-	-	-	-
43	Fire Dept S&W	2,855,213	2,874,448	3,047,664	3,439,923
44	Fire Dept Expense	206,923	262,385	329,186	417,891
45	Fire Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-
46	Emergency Medical Services O/T	109,744	100,000	126,320	219,335
47	Emergency Medical Services Expenses. . .	82,383	91,195	93,730	108,520
	Sub-Total	3,254,263	3,328,028	3,596,900	4,185,669
48a	Emer. Telecom. S&W	575,821	375,871	401,409	423,815
48b	Emer. Telecom. Expenses	121,016	279,408	240,757	151,965
	Sub-Total	696,837	655,279	642,166	575,780

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<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>					Town Meeting
Line		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
49	Building Inspection S&W	236,426	300,275	308,007	202,070
50	Building Inspection Expense . . .	9,742	9,741	10,049	12,468
51	Building Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	246,168	310,016	318,055	214,538
52	Emerg. Mgt S&W	4,500	4,500	5,000	4,910
	Emerg Mgt. Expense	7,800	5,950	8,650	8,500
53	Sub-Total	12,300	10,450	13,650	13,410
54	Animal Control S&W	54,576	55,734	in police dept.	in police dept.
55	Animal Control Expense	14,500	14,544	in police dept.	in police dept.
		-	-	in police dept.	in police dept.
	Sub-Total	69,076	70,278	-	-
56a	Natural Resources S&W .	81,274	83,764	86,291	90,472
56b	Natural Resources Expense	27,650	27,400	27,400	27,600
	Sub-Total	108,924	111,164	113,691	118,072
57	Pleasant Bay Alliance Expense	16,855	16,855	16,855	17,192
<u>Schools</u>					
58	Cape Cod Reg Tech High School	1,160,735	1,421,910	1,248,331	1,330,607
	MRSD-Operating	17,801,859	19,884,425	19,486,696	20,459,274
	MRSD-Capital/ other	192,138		-	184,125
	MRSD-Transportation	640,816	319,825	350,715	378,140
	MRSD-Debt Service- Middle School	54,685	46,612	142,843	116,626

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<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>				Town Meeting
Line	Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
MRSD-Debt Service H.S. BAN	-	43,600	426,174	1,723,502
MRSD- Minimum Contribution FY14- credit	-	-	(336,245)	-
Total MRSD Assessment	18,689,498	20,337,662	20,070,183	22,861,667
59 <i>Harwich Public Schools</i>	-	-	-	-
Sub-Total	19,850,233	21,759,572	21,318,514	24,192,274
59a Harwich Middle School Building	-	-	-	125,000
60 Town Engineer's Dept S&W	156,159	156,833	159,959	166,693
61 Town Engineer's Dept Expense . .	4,800	4,800	4,820	3,820
Sub-Total	160,959	161,633	164,779	170,513
62 Highways and Maintenance S&W	2,018,212	2,089,355	2,150,342	2,274,937
63 Highways and Maintenance Expense	1,506,980	1,524,705	1,682,425	1,881,905
64 Hot Mix,Oil,& Improve Town Rds. .	-	-	-	-
65 Hwy Snow Removal Wages	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
66 Hwy Snow Removal Materials . . .	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
67 Hwy Snow Removal Equipment . . .	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Sub-Total	3,660,192	3,749,060	3,967,767	4,291,842
68 Street Lights	82,400	70,000	70,000	80,000
69 Cemetery S&W	44,520	45,485	45,485	56,615
70 Cemetery Expense	2,976	3,047	3,147	3,691
Sub-Total	47,496	48,532	48,632	60,306
72 Water Enterprise Fund				

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Line	<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>				Town Meeting
		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
71	Board of Health S&W	257,559	256,480	266,627	184,412
72	Board of Health Expense	14,949	15,448	17,011	13,538
73	Flax Pond Monitoring	-	-	-	-
	Sub-Total	272,508	271,928	283,638	197,950
	Channel 18 S&W	-	-		
	Channel 18 Expense	-	-		
	Channel 18 Capital Outlay	-	-		
	Sub-Total	-	-		
74	Community Center Comm S&W	127,324	130,486	134,326	140,783
75	Community Center Comm Exp.	145,495	147,400	158,642	166,114
	Community Center Capital		1,500	-	-
	Sub-Total	272,819	279,386	292,969	306,897
76	Council on Aging S&W	245,552	279,020	298,691	339,079
77	Council on Aging Expense	53,471	62,680	64,384	64,669
	Sub-Total	299,023	341,700	363,075	403,748
78	Youth Counselor S&W	67,254	67,903	69,918	73,446
79	Youth Counselor Expense	3,800	4,010	4,010	4,010
	Sub-Total	71,054	71,913	73,928	77,456
80	Veterans' Services Expense	31,217	32,264	33,054	33,328
81	Veterans' Benefits	25,000	27,500	86,500	96,000
	Sub-Total	56,217	59,764	119,554	129,328
82	Disability Rights Committee Expense	300	300	300	300
	Sub-Total	300	300	300	300

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<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>					Town Meeting
Line		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
83	Human Services	<u>76,500</u>	<u>76,500</u>	<u>76,500</u>	<u>78,030</u>
84	Brooks Library S&W	429,265	449,664	487,856	574,545
85	Brooks Library Expense	<u>238,965</u>	<u>242,532</u>	<u>277,012</u>	<u>312,343</u>
	Sub-Total	668,230	692,196	764,868	886,888
86	Recreation & Youth Seasonal Help	155,008	155,007	165,000	173,540
87	Recreation and Youth S&W.	177,318	192,137	201,672	208,531
88	Recreation and Youth Expense. . .	50,530	50,525	50,525	50,825
89	Aid to Various Programs	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,000</u>
	Sub-Total	382,856	397,669	417,197	444,896
91	Harbormaster/Natural Resources S&W	198,196	202,037	234,728	246,067
92	Harbormaster Expense	86,950	90,145	107,355	111,685
93	Harbormaster Capital Outlay . . .	<u>3,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	Sub-Total	288,146	292,182	342,083	357,752
94	Brooks Museum Commission Expense	<u>13,164</u>	<u>12,973</u>	<u>15,284</u>	<u>15,284</u>
	Sub-Total	13,164	12,973	15,284	15,284
95	Historical Commission S&W	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
96	Historical Commission Expense . .	<u>500</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>350</u>
	Sub-Total	1,500	1,400	2,700	350
97	Memorial & Veterans' Day	<u>1,600</u>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>1,600</u>	<u>1,600</u>
98	Golf Operations & Maintenance S&W	703,653	757,713	776,087	797,672
99	Golf Operations & Maintenance Expense	581,801	609,701	610,249	615,518
100	Golf Capital . .	<u>24,000</u>	<u>63,000</u>	<u>63,000</u>	<u>63,000</u>

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Line	<u>FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET</u>				Town Meeting
		Actual FY 2013	Actual FY 2014	Voted Budget FY 2015	Budget FY 2016
	Sub-Total	1,309,454	1,430,414	1,449,336	1,476,191
101	Total Departmental Budgets	17,667,149	18,839,564	19,321,407	21,173,621
	(Excludes HPS & CCRTHS)				
102	Total Debt SERVICE (PRIN & INT)	4,076,198	3,528,883	3,610,560	3,615,484
103	Barnstable County Retirement	2,178,021	2,170,097	2,217,735	2,283,370
104a	Special Retirement Pension			-	-
104b	Barnstable County Tax & CC Commission				
105	Unemployment Compensation	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
106a	Group Health Insurance/ Life	3,877,796	3,945,954	4,048,837	4,121,543
106b	Health Ins Mitgation Account	141,360	-	-	-
107a	Insurance, General	491,783	516,373	516,373	533,561
107b	Mega Assessment	21,111	21,111	23,925	-
107c	CVEC	-	-	-	-
108	Insurance Deductibles/Exclusions.	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
	Sub-Total	6,760,071	6,895,060	6,856,870	6,988,474
109	<u>Total Town Budget w/o Education</u>	28,503,418	29,263,507	29,788,838	31,777,579
110	<u>Including MRSD & CCRTHS with Medicare</u>	\$ 48,500,180	\$ 51,023,079	\$ 51,107,352	\$ 55,969,853

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